

REMARKS

Claims 1 through 3, 5 through 12, and 18 through 20 have been allowed in the application. Claim 1 is the only independent claim. It is respectfully submitted that no new matter has been added.

Claims 1, 9, and 10 have been amended herein to improve their form. Specifically, Claim 1 has been amended to correct the omission of a period at the end of that claim, and Claims 9 and 10 have been amended to correct transcription errors.

In a Response to Restriction Requirement and Amendment filed January 6, 2006, Claim 9 was amended and the Iac current was incorrectly expressed in units of “mA” rather than -- μ A--. See original Claim 9. In an Amendment filed July 5, 2006, the above-noted error remains in Claim 9. In addition, the period at the end of Claim 1 was inadvertently deleted; Claim 10 incorrectly makes reference to units of “mA” rather than -- μ A--; and makes reference to “db” rather than -- δ b--; and “da” rather than -- δ a--. See original Claim 10. It is respectfully submitted that the amendments to Claims 1, 9, and 10 do not the affect allowability of the application and that no new matter has been presented.

This Amendment After Allowance (this "Amendment") ensures that the patent issuing herefrom will be in the best possible form. No additional claims are presented. This Amendment was not previously presented, inasmuch as it was only recently recognized that the form of Claims 1, 9 and 10 could be improved. Given the Examiner's familiarity with the present application, it is respectfully submitted that full consideration of this Amendment will not require any additional search, more than a cursory review of the record, or any materially-added work, time, and effort on the part of the Office. See

Manual of Patent Examining Procedure (MPEP) § 714.16, pages 700-241 and 242 (Eighth Edition, Rev. 3, August 2005).

Favorable consideration and entry hereof are earnestly solicited.

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